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Dear Coaches, Athletes and Parents,

The City of Franklin Parks Department would like to welcome you back to the Park at Harlinsdale Farm for another season of Cross Country! We want to remind everyone that The Park at Harlinsdale Farm is just that – a farm! Originally a Tennessee Walking Horse breeding farm, Harlinsdale is now owned and operated by the City of Franklin Parks Department as a Passive-Historic park. With that in mind, please take into consideration the following regulations and tips:

- **ALL** guests will be directed to park in pasture-like conditions, so be prepared to walk across uneven turf between the Start/Finish line and the parking area, a distance of about a quarter-mile. There are no paved roads, sidewalks, or pathways and little shade. We suggest wearing comfortable shoes and clothing, and avoid bringing strollers if possible.
- **Parking is not permitted at the entrance/exit, along any curbs, and in undesignated areas! Please follow the instructions of our parking attendants, whose priority is the safety of our guests. The parking lot closest to the Start/Finish line is designated for buses, coaches, and handicapped parking ONLY! No pick-up/drop-offs will be permitted.**
- Allow plenty of time before the start of your runner's race. We suggest arriving at least 30 minutes prior to start time to account for traffic and walking to the race area.
- The volume of cars entering and exiting the park may cause some traffic back-up. Please be patient with us; we will get everybody in and out as fast as possible.
- Dogs must be on leashes at **ALL TIMES**.
- To avoid mosquito and tick bites, be sure to bring along bug spray.
- We do not have any permanent bathroom facilities or running water, only porta-potties. The buildings and barns are off-limits and we would appreciate guests not climbing on or over the fences.
- *Coaches:* In order to help us keep conflicts with other events and maintenance schedules to a minimum, we ask that any school wishing to hold practice at the Park at Harlinsdale Farm make a



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courtesy call to the Programming Division at 550-6942. Private and out-of-county schools will be required to provide a Certificate of Liability Insurance, naming the City of Franklin as additionally insured.

We wish all runners the best of luck this season, and we look forward to seeing you at the Park at Harlinsdale Farm!

Sincerely,

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